

Gregory A. Thomas, M.S.

Gregory A. Thomas serves as the Senior Executive for Law Enforcement Operations in the Office of the Kings County (Brooklyn, N.Y.) District Attorney, the third largest district attorney's office in the United States. In this capacity, he serves as a senior advisor to Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson and his executive staff on criminal justice and law enforcement policy and procedures and is the principal liaison to the New York City Police Department (NYPD) and other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies in relation to major investigations and operational matters. He also plays a senior leadership role in the work conducted by the Crime Strategies Unit which was created by District Attorney Thompson to reduce the occurrence and frequency of violent crimes in Brooklyn, through the use of an approach that focuses resources on the "drivers of crime" and the identified "hot spots" where the majority of crime occurs.

Gregory Thomas brings to this position over thirty years of executive experience in the fields of criminal justice and public safety. He has served as Deputy Director of Planning and Response at the Columbia University National Center for Disaster Preparedness; as Executive Director of the Office of School Safety and Planning (during the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001) with the New York City Department of Education; as an Assistant Commissioner with the New York City Fire Department; as the Associate Director of the City University of New York/NYPD Cadet Program at John Jay College of Criminal Justice; as a senior investigator and member of the executive staff with the Mollen Commission, the mayoral commission that investigated allegations of police corruption and the anti-corruption procedures of the NYPD; and as a First Deputy Inspector General with the New York City Department of Investigation, the New York City agency charged with oversight of a City workforce of more than 300,000 and investigating and referring for criminal prosecution cases of fraud, corruption and unethical conduct by City employees, contractors and others who receive money from the city.

During his time as a nationally recognized school/campus safety expert, consultant and conference speaker, he was the lead editor and co-author of three books on school safety for the Janes Information Group, including the most comprehensive book published to date on school safety – the 450 page Janes Safe School Planning Guide for All Hazards. He is also the solo author of a book from Random House Publishers titled Freedom from Fear: A Guide to Safety, Preparedness and the Threat of Terrorism, which offers advice to readers on how to prepare themselves and their families for a worst case scenario like a natural disaster or an act of terrorism.

Mr. Thomas' professional affiliations include membership in the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) where he currently serves as their National President, as a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and of the American Society of Industrial Security (ASIS). He has also been associated with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), where he served as an assessor of various police departments across the nation.

Born and raised in Brooklyn, New York where he currently resides with his family, Mr. Thomas completed public school in New York City, and attended college at the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore where he received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology and at the Brooklyn Campus of Long Island University where he received his Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice.